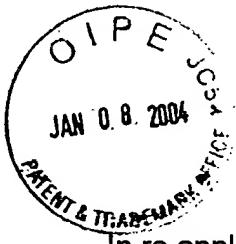


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The prompt attention of the Examiner to this matter would be greatly appreciated.

CONCLUSION

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at 858-456-1951 for any reason that would advance the instant application to issue.

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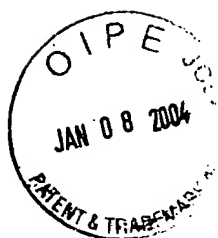
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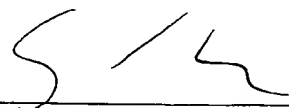
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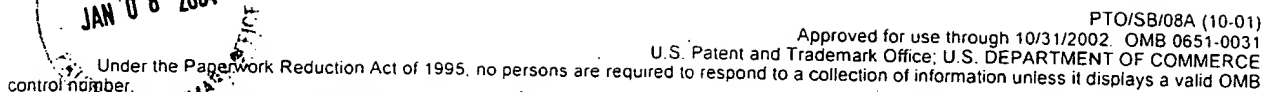
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